



**COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
SCOTT H. PETERS**

CITY OF SAN DIEGO

May 14, 2008

Dear Resident:

I am writing with hope you will support my efforts to address the proliferation of oversized vehicles and recreational vehicles (RVs) on the streets of your neighborhood.

I recently initiated legislation to address this issue. The over-abundance of large vehicles such as boat trailers and RVs poses serious public safety and quality of life issues, particularly in residential neighborhoods like yours. Further, the presence of such oversized vehicles restricts parking supply and creates friction between neighbors. The current regulations are ineffective and inefficient—a poor use of valuable police resources.

The proposed ordinance would prohibit the overnight parking of all oversized vehicles. It would also include specific rules to allow RV owners to apply for permission to park overnight in limited circumstances and would restrict those permits to a reasonable number. The complete details of this proposal are on the Council District One website, at <http://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd1>.

In January, I was pleased that my colleagues joined me to unanimously support this effort. Council's response to my proposal was two-fold: to request that the Mayor provide cost information with regard to the permitting and enforcement costs of such a program within sixty days, and to give the City Attorney's office thirty days from that date to bring it forward to Council. The Mayor provided us with the necessary data in early April. As soon as I receive the necessary materials from the City Attorney's office, I will docket the matter for Council consideration at the first available date.

In the past, attempts to regulate these issues have failed. Challenges to similar ordinances in other cities posed another obstacle to progress. Still, I did not abandon the effort to address this problem. I am proud that the current proposal balances the rights of vehicle owners with the needs of the communities in which they live. The proposed ordinance accomplishes the goals of helping residents like you improve your neighborhoods while still allowing people to explore San Diego and enjoy what it has to offer.

If you are interested in showing your support for this ordinance, either with a letter or email to the City Council or by appearing at an upcoming Council hearing to voice your opinion on the issue, please contact Keely Sweeney in my office at [ksweeney@sanidiego.gov](mailto:ksweeney@sanidiego.gov) for guidance.

Thank you for your interest in this important community issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Scott H. Peters

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